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In re the Patent Application of: Richard W. Layne et al

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Platform Cannula for Guiding the Expansion

of Expandable Bodies and Method of Use

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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the August 19, 2008 Office Action therein, please amend the above-identified patent application as set forth below.

No fees are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees are necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.